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GAS TURBINE FUEL OIL, METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME AND For:

METHOD FOR POWER GENERATION

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliance of Amendment, please amend claims 5, 8, 9, 11, 12 and 18 to read as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

-- 5. (Amended) A method as defined in claim 1, further comprising a fourth hydrotreating step of contacting the heavy oil matter produced in said first separation step with pressurized hydrogen in the presence of a catalyst, to thereby carry out an impurity removal treatment and cracking a part of said heavy oil matter, resulting in obtaining refined oil and a heavy oil matter:

said refined oil produced in said fourth hydrotreating step being used as the gas turbine fuel oil.

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